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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
ERIC J STRANG : EXAMINER: SIEK, VUTHE
SERIAL NO: 10/673,506 :
FILED: SEPTEMBER 30, 2003 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2825
FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR :
USING FIRST-PRINCIPLES
SIMULATION TO ANALYZE A PROCESS
PERFORMED BY A SEMICONDUCTOR
PROCESSING TOOL

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Following the interview on July 21, 2008, please find enclosed for the above-identified application as follows:

Statement of Substance of Interview beginning on page 2 of this paper.

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As discussed during the interview, Applicant is timely filing today an Appeal Brief based on the Notice of Appeal filed on May 19, 2008. Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the courtesy of Examiner Siek to confirm that the Final Office Action mailed on July 7, 2008 was merely an acknowledgement of the claim cancellation and Terminal Disclaimer filing. Applicant requests consideration of the Appeal Brief in a timely fashion so as to toll the statutory six-month deadline associated with the Final Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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